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## Notice of Non-Responsive Amendment

The communication filed on 12/22/2003 is not fully responsive to the Office communication mailed on 7/16/2003. Specifically, the amendment does not follow the new amendment format in that the claims are not presented separately from the arguments section of the response. Moreover, the amendment does not use the approved status identifiers for each of the pending claims (e.g. "currently amended"). Applicants' representative is directed to <http://www.uspto.gov/web/patents/ifw/> where the changed guidelines for 37 CFR 1.121 have been posted on the internet as of 7/30/2003.

Applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to submit an amendment in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121, effective, March 21, 2001, in order to avoid abandonment.


EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Gerald G. Leffers Jr. whose telephone number is (703)-308-6232. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday, 9:30 am to 6:00 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Remy Yucel can be reached at (703) 305-1998. The fax number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 305-1998.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to Zeta Adams whose telephone number is (703) 305-3291.

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